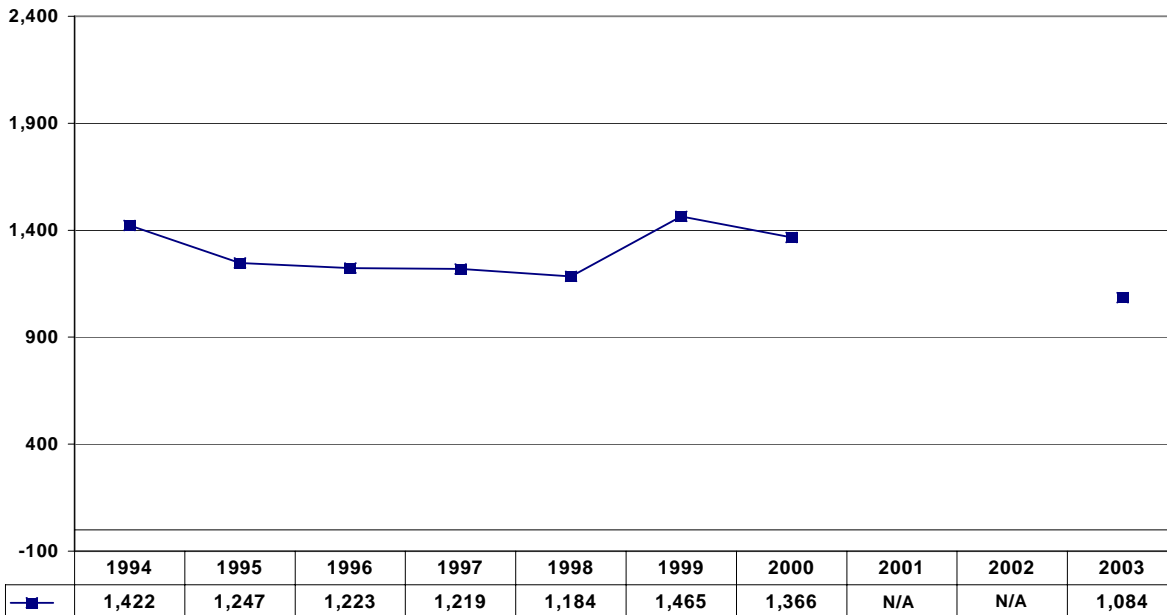


# **SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSAULTED**

**South Carolina  
OFFICERS ASSAULTED  
(Aggravated and Simple)**



**2003 SUMMARY**

During 2003, there were 1,084 assaults upon law enforcement officers.

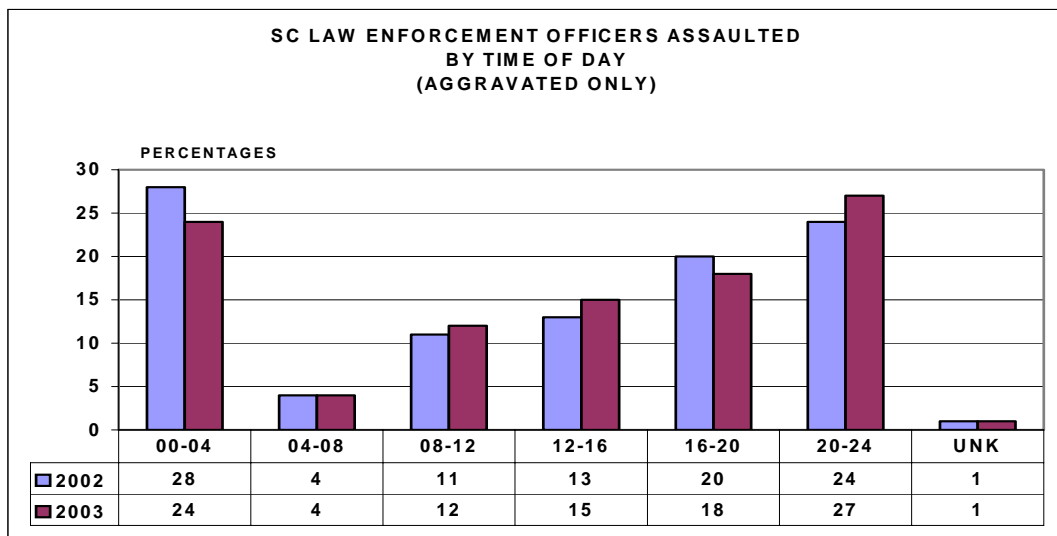
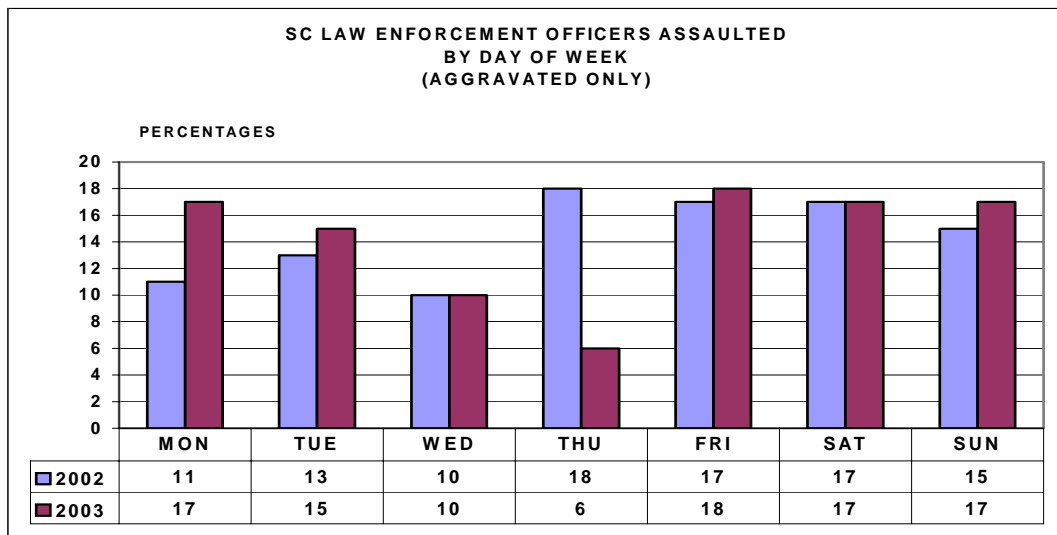
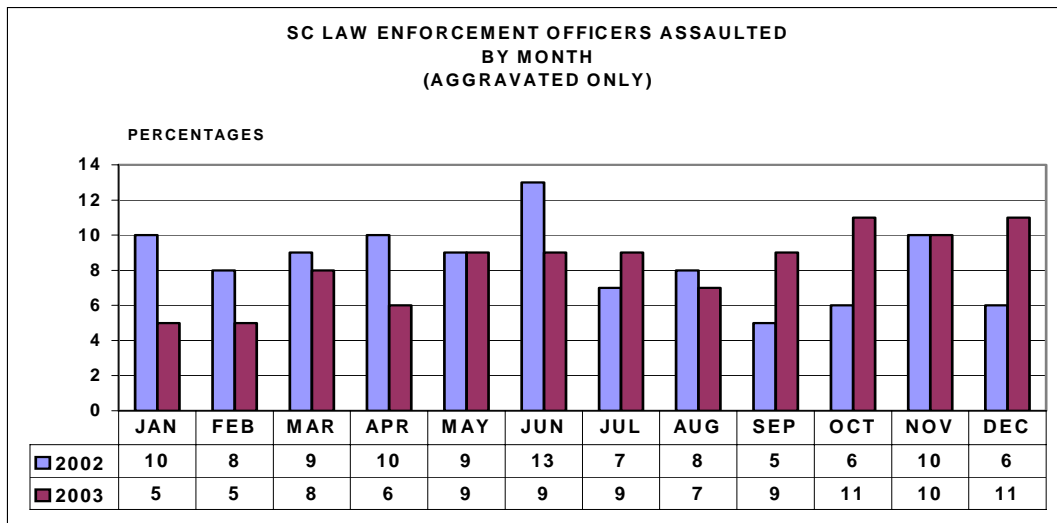
Of the 1,084 officers assaulted, 5.2 percent were assaulted with firearms, 4.6 percent with cutting instruments, 15.5 percent with other weapons, 74.6 percent with hands, fists, etc, and 0.1 percent with unknown weapons.

Some degree of injury was sustained by 15.7 percent of officers assaulted; 9.5 percent of all injuries were caused by hands, fists, etc.

Of the 1,084 assaults on officers, 47.9 percent occurred between the hours of 8:00 PM and 4:00 AM.

**NOTE TO THE READER**

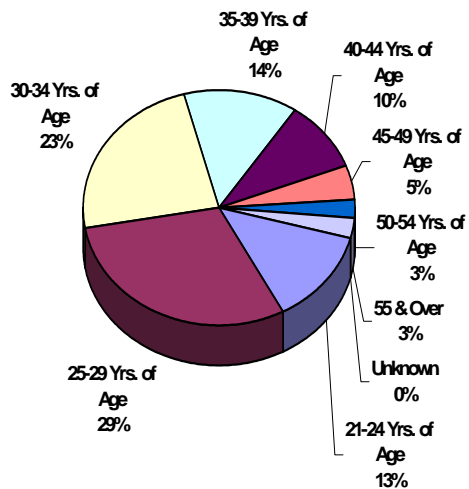
The information shown on the following three pages is based upon Aggravated Assaults against police officers, and will bear the notation “(Aggravated Only)”. Unlike previous years, Simple Assaults are not available for 2002. Officer assault information is not available for the year 2001. All other information in the Officers Assaulted Section for the year 2003 is based upon both Simple and Aggravated Assaults against officers.



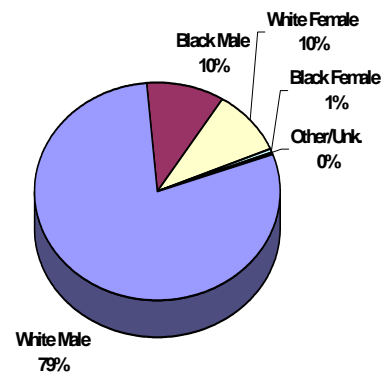
**2003 POLICE OFFICER VICTIMS BY AGE, SEX, RACE  
(AGGRAVATED ONLY)**

Age Group	Total	Percent Distr.	White Male	Black Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Unknown
21 – 24	48	13.0	37	2	8	1	0
25 – 29	111	30.0	89	10	12	0	0
30 – 34	88	23.8	71	8	7	1	1
35 – 39	50	13.5	45	4	1	0	0
40 – 44	36	9.7	23	11	2	0	0
45 – 49	17	4.6	14	1	2	0	0
50 – 54	10	2.7	7	2	1	0	0
55 – 59	9	2.4	6	0	3	0	0
60 & Over	1	0.3	1	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>State Total</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

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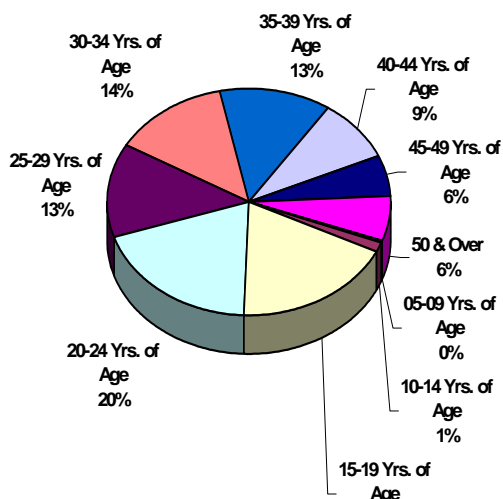
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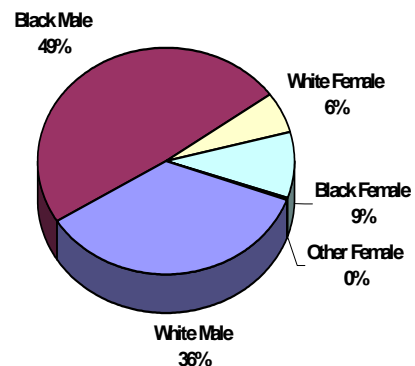
**2003 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR ASSAULTS  
ON POLICE OFFICERS BY AGE, SEX, RACE  
(AGGRAVATED ONLY)**

Age Group	Total	Percent Distr.	White Male	Black Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female
05 – 09	1	0.4	0	1	0	0	0
10 – 14	4	1.4	1	1	1	1	1
15 – 19	51	18.1	20	20	3	7	0
20 – 24	55	19.6	15	36	2	2	0
25 – 29	37	13.2	12	19	1	5	0
30 – 34	38	13.5	14	21	2	1	0
35 – 39	36	12.8	11	18	2	5	0
40 – 44	25	8.9	12	8	4	1	0
45 – 49	16	5.7	6	8	1	1	0
50 – 54	11	3.9	4	4	0	3	0
55 – 59	3	1.1	2	1	0	0	0
60 & Over	4	1.4	3	0	1	0	0
<b>State Total</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>

**2003  
PERSONS ARRESTED FOR ASSAULTS ON POLICE  
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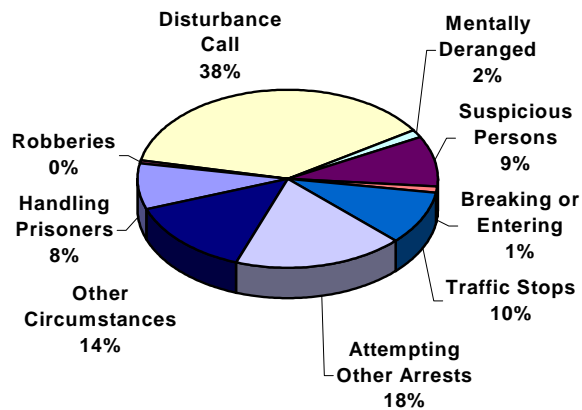
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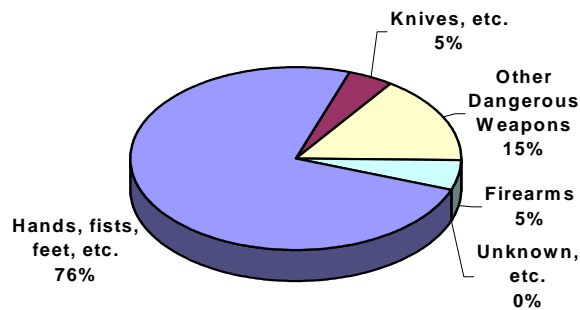
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SC LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ASSAULTS  
BY CIRCUMSTANCE



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SC LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ASSAULTS  
BY WEAPON TYPE



**2003 OFFICERS ASSAULTED BY CIRCUMSTANCE AND WEAPON TYPE**  
**(AGGRAVATED AND SIMPLE)**




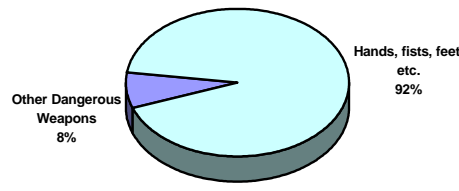
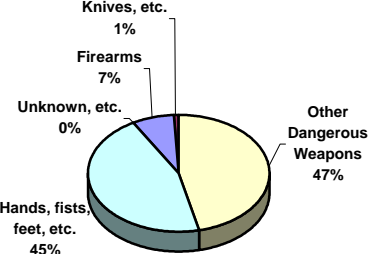

<b>Circumstance</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Firearm</b>	<b>Knife, Cutting Instr.</b>	<b>Other Dangerous Weapons</b>	<b>Hands, Fists, etc.</b>	<b>Unk., etc.</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>% Distr.</b>
Disturbance Call								
	2003	22	23	43	318	0	406	37.5
Robberies								
	2003	0	0	2	3	0	5	0.5
Attempting Other Arrests								
	2003	3	11	26	156	0	196	18.1
Handling Prisoners								
	2003	0	0	7	84	0	91	8.4
Suspicious Persons								
	2003	7	7	18	67	0	99	9.1
Traffic Stops								
	2003	8	1	50	49	0	108	10.0
Breaking or Entering								
	2003	0	1	2	7	0	10	0.9
Mentally Deranged								
	2003	0	3	1	13	0	17	1.6
Other								
	2003	16	4	19	112	1	152	14.0
<b>State Total</b>								
	<b>2003</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**2003**

**SC LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

**ASSAULT CIRCUMSTANCE BY WEAPON**

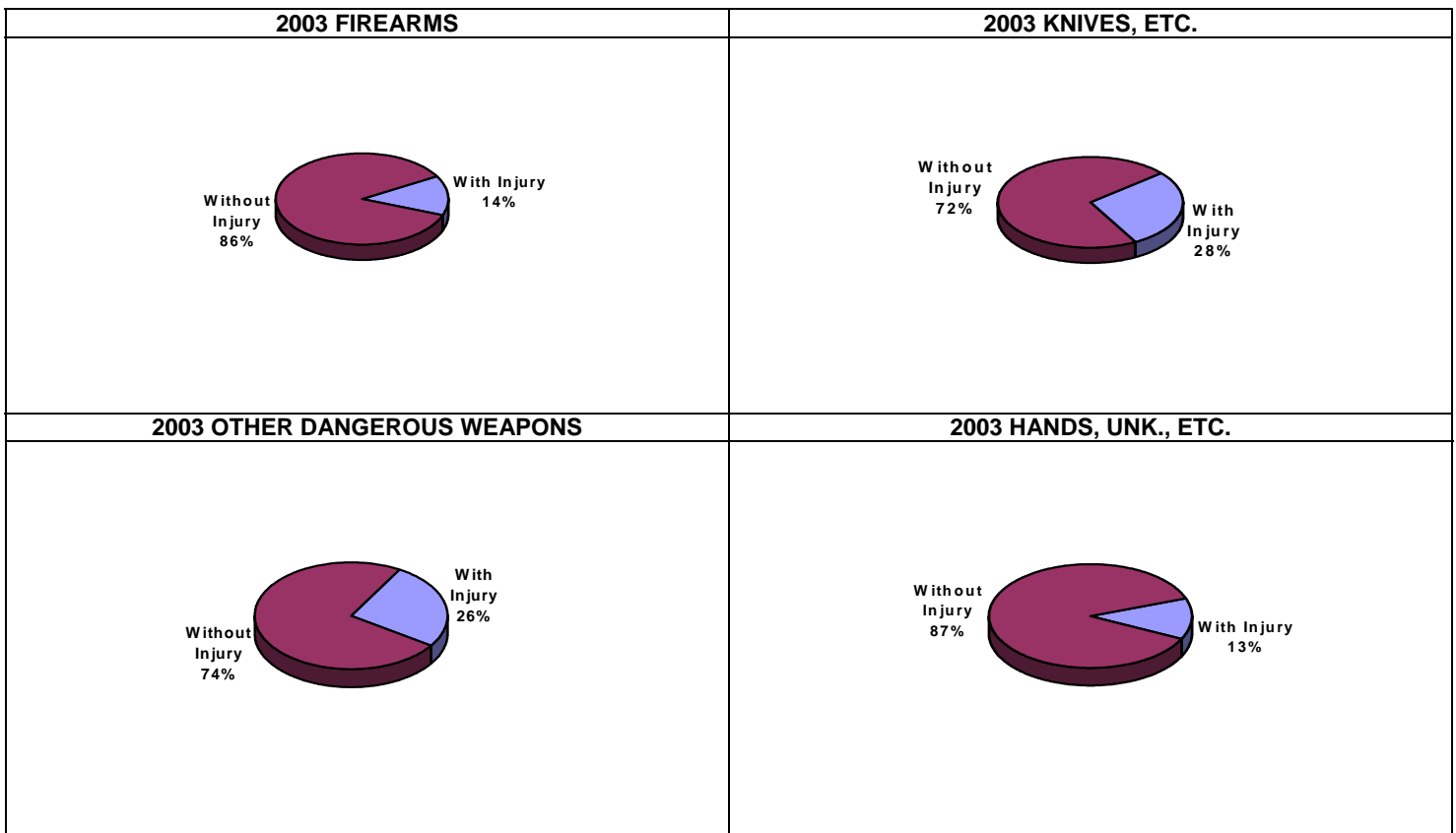
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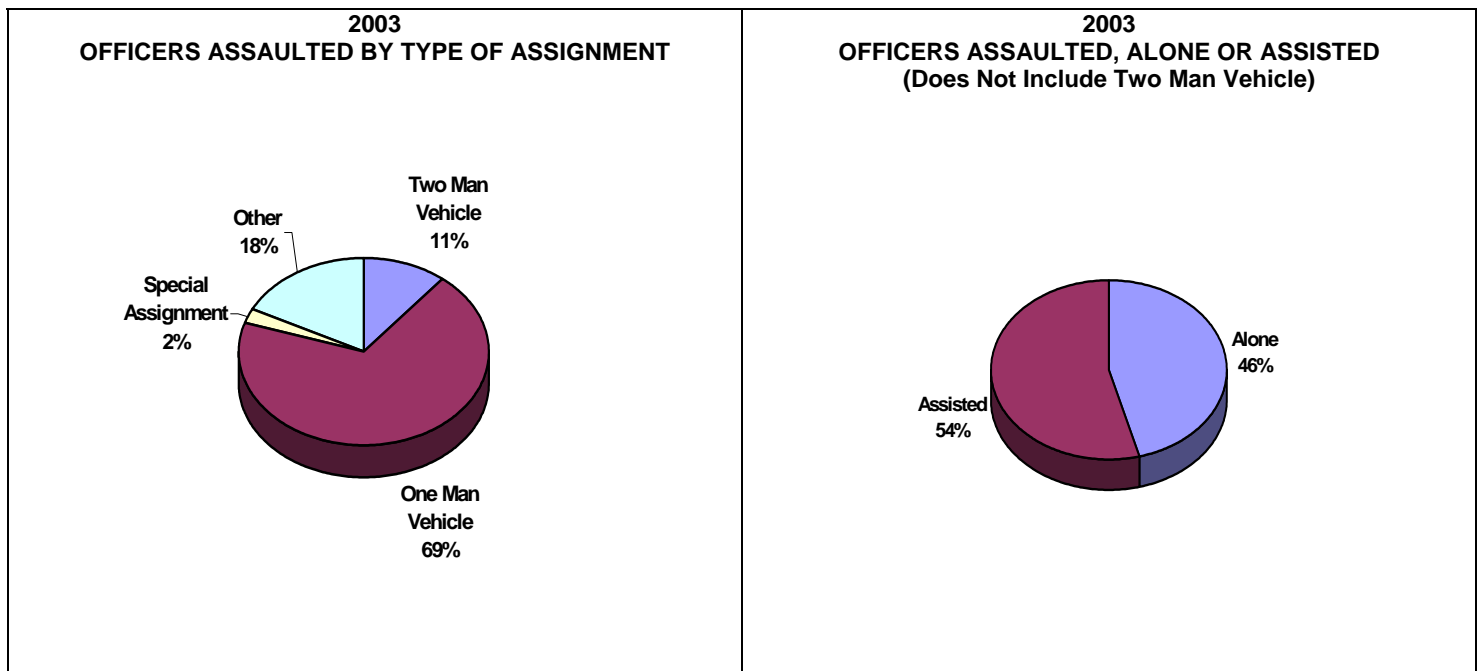
Type of Weapon	Total	% Distr.	With Injury		Without Injury	
			Number	% Distr.	Number	% Distr.
Firearms	56	5.2	8	14.3	48	85.7
Knife or Cutting Instrument	50	4.6	14	28.0	36	72.0
Other Dangerous Weapons	168	15.5	44	26.2	124	73.8
Hands, Fists, etc.	809	74.6	103	12.7	706	87.3
Unknown, etc.	1	0.09	1	100.0	0	0.0
<b>State Total</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>84.3</b>



# **2003 OFFICERS ASSAULTED BY TYPE OF ASSIGNMENT**

**(AGGRAVATED AND SIMPLE)**

Type of Assignment		2001 Offenses	% Distr.	2002 Offenses	% Distr.	2003 Offenses	% Distr.
Two-Man Vehicle		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	116	10.7
One-Man Vehicle	Alone Assisted	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	376	34.7
		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	375	34.6
Special Assignment	Alone Assisted	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	14	1.3
		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	13	1.2
Other	Alone Assisted	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	55	5.1
		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	135	12.5
<b>State Total</b>		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>1,084</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**2002-2003 OFFICERS ASSAULTED BY PREMISE  
(AGGRAVATED ONLY)**

Premise	2001 Incidents	% Distr.	2002 Incidents	% Distr.	2003 Incidents	% Distr.
Residences, Apts.	N/A	N/A	107	34.0	109	29.4
Roads, Parking Lots, etc.	N/A	N/A	130	41.2	166	44.9
Commercial	N/A	N/A	19	6.0	24	6.5
Nightclubs, Bars	N/A	N/A	4	1.3	11	3.0
School, Churches	N/A	N/A	6	1.9	11	3.0
Convenience Stores, etc.	N/A	N/A	11	3.5	7	1.9
Gov't/Public Bldg.	N/A	N/A	12	3.8	8	2.2
Jails, Prisons	N/A	N/A	15	4.8	18	4.9
Other	N/A	N/A	11	3.5	16	4.3
<b>State Total</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**NOTE:** The counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere).

**2002-2003  
OFFICERS ASSAULTED BY PREMISE**

